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Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A machine for processing electrodes formed on a plate-like workpiece to make ~~the~~ electrodes projecting from ~~the~~ a front surface of the plate-like workpiece uniform in height, comprising:

a chuck table having a placing surface for placing the plate-like workpiece, which can be moved between a workpiece ~~take-in/take-out~~ take-in and take-out area and a processing area;

a chuck table moving unit for moving the chuck table between the workpiece ~~take-in/take-out~~ take-in and take-out area and the processing area;

a cutting unit having a cutting tool with a cutting blade for cutting a the plurality of electrodes projecting from the front surface of the plate-like workpiece arranged in the processing area and held on the chuck table to make them uniform in height;

a cutting unit feed mechanism for moving the cutting unit in a direction perpendicular to the placing surface of the chuck table;

a take-in means for carrying the plate-like workpiece before processing to the chuck table when the chuck table is positioned in the workpiece ~~take-in/take-out~~ take-in and take-out area;

and

a take-out means for taking out the plate-like workpiece after processing ~~held on~~ from the chuck table when the chuck table is positioned in the workpiece ~~take-in/take-out~~ take-in and take-out area.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The machine for processing electrodes formed on a plate-like workpiece according to claim 1, wherein the machine comprises a cassette placing portion for ~~placing~~ having placed thereon a cassette storing a plurality of the plate-like workpieces, a workpiece conveying means for taking out one of the plate-like workpiece before processing from a the cassette placed on the cassette placing portion, and a workpiece temporary storage portion for temporarily storing the plate-like workpiece carried by the workpiece conveying means, and the plate-like workpiece carried to the workpiece temporary storage portion is conveyed onto the chuck table when the chuck table is positioned in the workpiece ~~take-in/take-~~

~~out~~ take-in and take-out area by the take-in means.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The machine for processing electrodes formed on a plate-like workpiece according to claim 2, wherein the machine comprises a cleaning means for cleaning the plate-like workpiece after processing, the plate-like workpiece after processing held on the chuck table when the chuck table is positioned in the workpiece take-in/take-out take-in and take-out area is carried to the cleaning means by the take-out means, and the plate-like workpiece after processing cleaned by the cleaning means is stored in a second cassette, placed on the cassette placing portion, by the workpiece conveying means.

Claim 4 (Original): The machine for processing electrodes formed on a plate-like workpiece according to claim 1, wherein the machine comprises a processing fluid supply means for supplying a processing fluid toward the plate-like workpiece held on the chuck table in the processing area.

Claim 5 (Original): The machine for processing electrodes formed on a plate-like workpiece according to claim 4, wherein the processing fluid supply means supplies ionized air.